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## UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

SECURITIES INVESTOR PROTECTION CORPORATION.

Plaintiff-Applicant,

v.

BERNARD L. MADOFF INVESTMENT SECURITIES LLC,

Defendant.

In re:

BERNARD L. MADOFF,

Debtor.

IRVING H. PICARD, Trustee for the Substantively Consolidated SIPA Liquidation of Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC and BERNARD L. MADOFF,

Plaintiff,

v.

LEONARD J. OGUSS TRUST, JANE L. OGUSS, as trustee RONALD A. OGUSS, as trustee, and GERALD M. OGUSS, as trustee,

Defendants.

Adv. Pro. No. 08-1789 (SMB)

Presentment Date: September 26, 2018 12:00 PM

Objection Date: September 19, 2018

SIPA LIQUIDATION

(Substantively Consolidated)

Adv. Pro. No. 10-05116 (SMB)

DECLARATION OF HELEN DAVIS CHAITMAN IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION TO WITHDRAW AS COUNSEL

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I, Helen Davis Chaitman, hereby declare, under penalty of perjury pursuant to 28 U.S.C.

§1746, as follows:

1. I am a partner with Chaitman LLP, counsel of record to Defendants Leonard J.

Oguss Trust, Jane L. Oguss, as trustee Ronald A. Oguss, as trustee, and Gerald M. Oguss, as

trustee, (the "Defendants"). I submit this declaration in support of an application for an Order

pursuant to Rule 2090-1(e) of the Local Bankruptcy Rules of this Court: (1) authorizing Chaitman

LLP to withdraw as counsel to the Defendants; and (2) granting such other and further relief as the

Court deems just and proper. Unless otherwise stated, the foregoing is based on my personal

knowledge.

2. The Trustee commenced this adversary proceeding against the Defendants on

December 2, 2010 (the "Adversary Proceeding").

3. Thereafter, the Defendants retained Becker & Poliakoff LLP to represent them.

On behalf of the Defendants, while at Becker & Poliakoff, LLP, I filed a Notice of 4.

Appearance and Request for Service of Papers on February 3, 2011 (ECF Doc. No. 3).

5. On behalf of the Defendants as a partner of Chaitman LLP, I filed a Notice of

Appearance and Request for Service of Papers on October 12, 2015 (ECF Doc. No. 41).

6. I have repeatedly attempted to contact the Defendants but they are unresponsive.

7. The Adversary Proceeding will not be disrupted or unduly delayed as a result of

this firm's withdrawal as Defendants' counsel.

8. Accordingly, cause exists to grant the application authorizing Chaitman LLP to

withdraw as counsel for the Defendants.

Dated: September 5, 2018

New York, New York

/s/ Helen Davis Chaitman

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